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LETTER DATED 13 AUGUST 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF COLOMBIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to bring to your attention the deep concern of the Government of Colombia at the news of the many violations of the basic principles of international humanitarian law in the conflict affecting Bosnia and Herzegovina and at the abuses registered in the detention camps set up in the territory of the former Yugoslavia.

The Government of Colombia identifies with the statement which you made on 4 August 1992 at the 3103rd meeting of the Security Council (S/24378), condemning those violations of international humanitarian law and the ill treatment of civilians in camps, prisons and detention centres set up in the former Yugoslavia, especially in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It also supports the Council's demand that the parties to the conflict allow access to those places of detention to the relevant international organizations, in particular the International Committee of the Red Cross.

My Government considers that the level of violence reached by the confrontations in the former Yugoslavia calls for resolute and urgent action by the international community in order to find a political solution to the conflict, within the framework of respect for the principles governing international law and the treaties in force.

I should be grateful if you would have this communication circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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